

HOUSE BILL 3801

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39  
and Title 57, relative to prohibiting the sale of  
certain high alcohol content beverages.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 57, Chapter 3, Part 4, is amended by  
adding the following as a new section thereto:

57-3-4\_\_.

(a) No retailer shall sell any alcoholic beverage for off-premise consumption that  
has an alcohol content of greater than sixty percent (60%) by volume.

(b)

(1) A violation of subsection (a) is a Class A misdemeanor.

(2) All alcoholic beverages that are owned or possessed by any retailer  
in violation of subsection (a) shall be declared to be contraband goods and may  
be seized in accordance with § 57-3-411 except that such goods may not be sold  
but shall be destroyed appropriately.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 57, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by  
adding the following as a new section thereto:

57-4-2\_\_.

(a) No licensee shall sell any alcoholic beverage for on-premise consumption  
that has an alcohol content of greater than sixty percent (60%) by volume.

(b)

(1) A violation of subsection (a) is a Class A misdemeanor.

(2) All alcoholic beverages that are owned or possessed by any licensee  
in violation of subsection (a) shall be declared to be contraband goods

and may be seized in accordance with § 57-3-411 except that such goods may not be sold but shall be destroyed appropriately.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.